

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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For: DIFLUOROMETHYLTRIAZOLONE COMPOUNDS USE OF THE SAME AND  
INTERMEDIATES FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the  
accompanying pages.

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